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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of)
FABRIZIO DI PASQUALE et al.)
Application No.: 09/944,244)
Filed: August 30, 2001)
For: LUMPED RAMAN AMPLIFIER FOR)
ADAPTIVE DISPERSION COMPENSATION)

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AMENDMENT A

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 4, 2002, please amend the application as follows.

In the Claims

Please replace the pending claims with the following:

1. (Amended) In a WDM communication system, apparatus for compensating for chromatic dispersion in a WDM signal, said apparatus comprising: